(c) The Government of India believes in solution of problems through talks and negotiations to bring about peace, stability and development. The Government of India is prepared for talks with any group which is willing to work within the framework of the Constitution of India and abjure violence. No talks have been initiated with the terrorist outfits operating in Assam, as they have not, as of now, indicated their willingness for talks within the above parameters and are continuing with violence. The Government of India categorically rejects violence as a means of achieving any objective.

Cases Registered by Police under the Protection of Civil Rights Act, 1955

2659. SHRI NAGENDRA NATH OJHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise number of cases, registered by the Police under the Protection of Civil Rights Act 1955 during 1994, 1995 and 1996 and number of such cases which were disposed of during the same years;

(b) whether the State Governments have undertaken surveys during the last three years for identifying untouchability prone areas; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Murder of SC/ST women

2660. SHRI JOY NADUKKARA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state that the State-wise number of murders reported during 1995-96 and 1996-97 indicating the number of (i) women and (ii) SC/ST women?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): Available information is given in the enclosed statements I and II.

Statement-I

Incidence of Murder during 1995 and 1996 (State & UT-Wise)

Sl. No.	State/UT	1995	1996	Remarks (Figs. for 1996 are upto the month of)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2376	2124	November
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	71	56	September
3.	Assam	1269	1858	September
4.	Bihar	5075	N.A.	——
5.	Goa	36	30	
6.	Gujarat	1373	1282	
7.	Haryana	627	455	September
8.	Himachalk Pradesh	125	118	

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	796	727	August
10.	Karnataka	1034	1604	
11.	Kerala	457	350	November
12.	Madhya Pradesh	3018	3340	
13.	Maharashtra	2799	2707	
14.	Manipur	289	226	
15.	Meghalaya	115	18	February
16.	Mizoram	37	44	
17.	Nagaland	151	210	
18.	Orissa	884	584	July
19.	Punjab	648	381	July
20.	Rajasthan	1485	1383	October
21.	Sikkim	12	5	
22.	Tamil Nadu	1940	1878	
23.	Tripura	251	229	
24.	Uttar Pradesh	10384	9439	November
25.	West Bengal	1789	1687	October
	Total (States)	38040	29846	
26.	A & N Islands	14	11	
27.	Chandigarh	14	18	
28.	D & N Haveli	11	7	
29.	Daman & Diu	3	NA	——
30.	Delhi	501	501	
31.	Lakshdweep	0	0	October
32.	Pondicherry	23	27	
	Total (UTs)	568	564	
	Total (All-India)	38608	30418	

Source: Monthly Crime Statistics.

NOTE: 1. Figs. are provisional.
2. NA stands for not available.
3. *Figs. excluding October 1996 Data.
4. 1995 Figs. of Daman & Diu are upto November.

N.B.: The break-up of murders, sexwise is not available.

Statement-II

Incidence of murder of SCs and STs during 1995 and 1996 (State & UT-wise)

Sl. No.	STATE/UT	SC		ST		REMARKS (FIGS. FOR 1996 ARE UPTO MONTHS OF)
		1995	1996	1995	1996	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
1.	ANDHRA PRADESH	25	18	4	5	NOVEMBER*
2.	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	0	0	0	2	SEPTEMBER
3.	ASSAM	0	0	0	0	SEPTEMBER
4.	BIHAR	18	NA	5	NA	——
5.	GOA	0	0	0	0	
6.	GUJARAT	27	22	14	12	
7.	HARYANA	8	5	0	0	SEPTEMBER
8.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	0	0	0	0	
9.	JAMMU & KASHMIR	0	1	0	0	AUGUST
10.	KARNATAKA	13	8	3	6	
11.	KERALA	5	5	0	3	NOVEMBER
12.	MADHYA PRADESH	86	50	18	20	
13.	MAHARASHTRA	18	12	16	7	
14.	MANIPUR	1	0	0	0	
15.	MEGHALAYA	0	0	1	0	FEBRUARY
16.	MIZORAM	0	0	0	0	
17.	NAGALAND	0	0	0	0	
18.	ORISSA	8	2	1	0	JULY
19.	PUNJAB	1	1	0	0	JULY
20.	RAJASTHAN	35	43	10	17	OCTOBER
21.	SIKKIM	1	1	1	0	
22.	TAMIL NADU	29	15	1	0	
23.	TRIPURA	0	0	0	0	
24.	UTTAR PRADESH	296	303	1	4	NOVEMBER
25.	WEST BENGAL	0	0	0	0	OCTOBER
	TOTAL (STATES)	571	486	75	76	

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
26.	A & N ISLANDS	0	0	0	0	
27.	CHANDIGARH	0	0	0	0	
28.	D & N HAVELI	0	0	0	0	
29.	DAMAN & DIU	0	NA	0	NA	——
30.	DELHI	0	0	0	0	
31.	LAKSHDWEEP	0	0	0	0	OCTOBER
32.	PONDICHERRY	0	0	0	0	
	TOTAL (UTs)	0	0	0	0	
	TOTAL (ALL-INDIA)	571	486	75	76	

SOURCE: MONTHLY CRIME STATISTICS.
NOTE: 1. FIGS. ARE PROVISIONAL.
2. NA STANDS FOR NOT AVAILABLE.
3. *FIGS. EXCLUDING OCTOBER 1996 DATA.
4. 1995 FIGS. OF DAMAN & DIU ARE UPTO NOVEMBER.

Theft of Vehicles in DIZ area, New Delhi

2661. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases registered on thefts of vehicles that occurred in Mandir Marg/DIG area, Gole Market, New Delhi during the month of January to till date;

(b) number of culprits involved in these thefts of vehicles interrogated and number of such vehicles recovered; and

(c) the steps taken to trace the remaining vehicles?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) 17 cases of theft of motor vehicles in Mandir Marg/DIZ area, Gole Market, New Delhi were registered during the period 1.1.197 to 6.3.97, 2 of these cases were later cancelled.

(b) 4 persons have been arrested in these cases and 10 vehicles have been recovered.

(c) The steps taken to recover the remaining stolen vehicles include surveillance on the known auto thieves and collection of intelligence through specialised Anti-Auto Theft Squads (AATS).

Agitation by Bishnupriya Manipuri Community

2662. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the agitation by the Bishnupriya Manipuri Community in Barak Valley for introduction of their language in Primary School level in Assam; and

(b) if so, whether Government have taken any stand in this regard; and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

Assault on Lady Train Passengers in Mumbai

2663. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that on 30th December, 1996, in a local train bound for Vashi, leaving Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (Mumbai) at 17.17 hours some youths entered the lady compartment of the train and beat the lady passengers, abused and